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McNider Says Legion Has Just Begun to Fight

New Orleans, Oct. 16.—A declaration that the American Legion regarded the interests of the disabled service men as its first responsibility, and that "with regard to the adjusted compensation act, we've just started to fight," were outstanding points in the report of Sanford McNider, national commander, delivered before the fourth annual convention of the legion at its opening session here today.

"With regard to adjusted compensation legislation," the report declared, "we've only just started to fight. The adjusted compensation legislation is right—we know it is right—and right always prevails in America. A great well-financed attack by interests which we cannot help but feel are so-called and selfish has given us one little setback. But those who represent the people in Washington are with us by great majorities. No one man, untouched by the war, without kith or kin, those who served—no one group, financial or otherwise can stand between the wishes of the American people and the fulfillment of what they believe to be a just obligation."

Has Tremendous Power

"The American Legion is gathered here in convention, assembled to build from its four years of experiences its platform for the legion year which lies ahead. The legion is recognized as the voice of the men and women who served with the colors during the great war—a whole generation. It must be our duty to build it that its tremendous power and possibilities may be directed that it shall be as it was dedicated, to the highest service—to our God and to our country."

"Every eligible man and woman must be made to realize that, if their best effort is not in the legion, they are just as much slackers as those who hid when the country's life was at stake. To avoid that duty is to betray our right to citizenship."

"Never before in the history of America has such a great force in our national life appeared—never has such power and prestige been granted. I quote to you the words of one of the greatest soldiers of modern times 'The American Legion is the cradle for the whole future of America.'"

"In relating here some of the endeavors and acts of the national organization, there is not thought of personal pride in accomplishment."

"What has been accomplished, you have accomplished."

"Forty per cent of the legion's membership is in towns of under 2,500—the highest type of American citizenship."

"Our efforts in a national way well covered in the report of the National Americanism Commission, National Education Week, our activities in the Boy Scout movement and the National Essay Contest."

Far-Reaching Achievements

"The reports of the chairmen of the various national committees will cover their respective achievements. They have been far reaching—concrete evidence of real accomplishments, in carrying out the commands you gave them in your last convention."

"I feel personally that tremendous results for the betterment of the disabled veterans—our first duty always—have been attained. The national rehabilitation committee is now formed on a permanent basis. It has 15 members, a chairman and the representatives chosen by the states, which make up the 14 veterans bureau districts. They can be changed as the departments see fit. They can be retained as long as the departments choose. It forms a representative body, each member vested with the power to speak for the several departments he represents. This committee make up forms a permanent foundation for all our future work for the disabled man. What is more, it means that he is going to receive a square deal from the country he fought for. It is my hope that the semi-permanent character of the committee may be provided with no other thought than a real service to the men which we shall help throughout the existence of our generation."

"Starting the day before Christmas with a successful appeal for bedside decisions to save the lives of men harassed with every worry and choking with red tape, this committee has built a tremendous record of constructive service. You, by your member-

ship, have given the legion the power and prestige to carry on this work."

"Let me acknowledge the financial assistance of the American Red Cross which has made possible the maintenance of our liaison representatives in every veterans' bureau district."

"The military affairs committee has had a particularly active year. You have heard and read of the many accomplishments, but you will be particularly interested in that part of its work which covered your recommendations for a universal draft system in time of war."

"The report of the committee on naval affairs was not completed before our whole naval program was endangered. We went to congress, asking that adequate defense be maintained."

"Our support has been acknowledged as of importance in the final outcome by the administration."

"The national legislative committee presents to you this year a record unsurpassed by any organization in the history of the nation. It has established the legion as the greatest force for constructive legislation for the nation and for the returned service men."

"This year started auspiciously. The receptions for our distinguished guests at Kansas City and all over the United States constituted a tremendous undertaking, splendidly performed. The Foch tour as a public service, not only to our country, but to our allies gripped and held the public mind."

"Starting a year of membership during one of the greatest industrial depressions American has ever experienced, the American Legion has grown in membership. Its pests' active and functioning in 49 departments in this country and 23 others scattered over the globe number 11,200 odd."

The Fellow Who Carried the Pack

"I am well aware that the very definite stand which has been taken in carrying out your commands has not aided in recruiting or holding those who place financial gods as their gods, or who are not willing as good Americans, to forget their personal prejudices to help serve the whole. Those men have lost the best thing the service ever gave—the conception of their duty to serve those who served with them—to stick with the lad who had not had their advantage, who labors under an unfair handicap. He was the finest man under adversity and hardship that God ever created—at the average young American service man. He gave all he had and always will—the man on whom this country must always depend—the fellow who carried the pack."

"While in the early years of legion activity men joined, some only out of curiosity, or because others joined, because in the great wave of enthusiasm, it was the thing to do—the membership now, in this fourth year, is the solid, substantial actual fighting gang, who intend to stay with it, to carry on through all the coming years that this legion of ours shall be the greatest outstanding symbol of service to all America."

"Thousands of posts have built themselves so well and so deep into their communities that their examples alone guarantee to the United States an asset for good."

PROGRAM OF B. Y. P. U.

The quarterly meeting of the B. Y. P. U. convention of Laurens Association will be held at Friendship Baptist church on fifth Sunday, October 29, beginning at 2:30 o'clock. The following is the program:
2:30—Song Service, Choirster in charge.
Devotional—Miss Ethel Dial, Friendship.
Greetings—Mr. Lucien Bobo, Friendship.
Response—Mr. Carrol Smith, Laurens.
Reports of Vice-Presidents and Recognition of Delegates.
The Responsibility of the B. Y. P. U. to the Church—Mr. Carroll Wallace, Chestnut Ridge.
Special Music—Clinton Union.
The Consecrated Life—Rev. J. W. Watts.
Special Music—Durbin Union.
How Can the B. Y. P. U. Help in the Re-inforcement of the 75 Million Campaign?—Mrs. Rhett Martin.

B. Y. P. U. Paper—Mr. Everette Thomas.
Awarding of Banner.
Dismissal.

All Baptist young people are urged to attend this meeting. Some of the officers are to be elected so a full delegation from all the unions is urged.

OLYDE T. FRANKS, Pres.
B. Y. P. U. Sec.

Real Genius of Poetry.

The inner vision lifts reality into the higher sphere of truth—a transfer wherein lies the true genius of poetry.

JARTERLY MEETING

The quarterly meeting of the Second Division of the Laurens W. M. U. will be held at Mt. Gallagher Saturday, October 28th. Following is the program:

10:30—Song Service—Mrs. Geo. McCravy.
Devotional—Mrs. Twyman Pitts.
Greeting—Mrs. S. H. Brissey.
Response—Mrs. Carrie George.

Enrollment and Review of W. M. S. Topic: Stewardship of Life.

Stewardship of Time and Talents—Mrs. J. P. Coleman.
Stewardship of Influence—Miss Lattie Taylor.
Stewardship of Possessions—Miss Elise Thomas.

Talk by Rev. Jennings Johnson.

Y. W. A. Demonstration—Mrs. J. D. W. Watts.

Message to Y. W. A. and G. A.—Mrs. J. Wash Watts.

Message to Sunbeams—Mrs. N. H.

Austin.
MRS. SLOAN MAHON, Vice-Pres.
MRS. GUY SMITH, Secretary.

A close shave!
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comforts and heals.

WHY DO YOU BUY NEW CLOTHES?

Is it just because you like to have them, or because you need them? Your reason for buying is not so important as the kind of clothes you buy---the kind is what counts. It is extravagance to buy the highest-priced merchandise you can find, and false economy to buy the cheapest. **VALUE FIRST** is our motto. The right style, a good quality at a low price is what we call a value. Here you will find not the highest priced goods nor the cheapest, but value merchandise---the kind it will pay you to buy.

Come in and buy from us the things you want and need for Fall and Winter wear.

A 100 Per Cent Bargain

Mill Ends in 32-inch Peggy Cloth and Shirtings, in styles and solid blue—a standard 25c cloth, fast colors—the best bargain of the year.

10 Yds. for \$1.00

Clothing Department

Style-Plus Clothes for men are handled at this store, and we recommend them to those wanting the best value for the money \$25.00, \$30.00 and \$35.00

Other good Suits \$15.00, \$18.00 and \$20.00

Boys' Suits (2 pair pants) special at \$10.00

Boys' Suits \$5.98

Men's Furnishings

Big shipment of Men's Shirts just arrived. See them at \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50

New Things in Neckwear 50c to \$1.00

Men's Fall Hats

The new Fall Hats are here for you at the right prices, special \$3.00, \$4.00 and \$5.00

Shoes for All

Low price alone does not make a good value in a pair of shoes. It must be the style you want and need, of the right quality, at a low price. We have a variety of the new fall styles and we are always glad to show you.

Ladies' brown Oxfords \$4.00 to \$9.00

Ladies' black Oxfords \$2.50 to \$9.00

Ladies' brown Strap Pump \$3.00 to \$7.00

Ladies' black Kid and Patent Strap Pump \$3.00 to \$9.00

Buster Brown and Red Riding Hood Shoes for "Young America." Don't fail to call for these shoes. The boys and girls like them and you will be pleased with the service they give.

Ready-to-Wear Department Special Sale of Dresses

GREATEST VALUES OFFERED AT THESE PRICES.

Lot No. 1—Consists of Canton Crepes in the beautiful combination of colors, in the new long dresses, special \$24.75

Lot No. 2—Consists of Silks, Canton Crepe and Poirer Twill in navy, black and brown, special \$19.95

Lot No. 3—Consists of Silks and Poirer Twill in most attractive styles, special \$15.95

Lot No. 4—You will be surprised to see all wool Dresses, heavily embroidered and trimmed, at such a remarkably low price, special \$9.95

Sweaters

For Women, Misses and small Children. All are distinctive styles and you certainly get a dollar's worth of value for every dollar spent here.

Women's heavy Shaker Sweaters, all pure virgin wool \$9.50

Women's all wool Jersey Sweaters, Tuxedo styles, assorted colors, special \$5.98

Children's all wool Sweaters, in a variety of colors, special 98c

Sale of New Fall Dress Goods

These numbers have just arrived by express and include the novelties of the season and are specially priced.

All wool Plaid Skirtings, per yard \$1.98

Wool Ratine, per yard \$2.25

All wool imported Colored Flannel, per yard \$1.00

New shipment of Ratines in all popular shades, per yd . . . 50c

50-inch all wool Storm Serge in navy and brown, special \$1.50

YAMA CREPE—the new material for fall, looks like the real Canton Crepe; in all the popular shades, yd 85c

EVERFAST SUITINGS—Will not fade, a great fabric for dresses, per yard 45c

Knitting Yarns

If you are knitting we can supply you in Columbia, Germantown, Silk and Wool, or Scotch Sweater Yarn.

Blankets

The cold weather is just ahead of us. You can beat the cold winter that is predicted by buying your wool blankets here.

All virgin wool Plaid Blankets in beautiful patterns, and silk trimmed, a special value at per pair \$9.75

Wool Plaid Blankets, a remarkable value at per pair . . . \$7.50

Wool and Cotton Plaid Blankets, special per pair . . . \$5.98

Cotton Plaid Blankets, special per pair \$2.98

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